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REPORT NO.COUNTRY AustriaTOPIC Soviet Troops in Goepfritz, Allentsteig, Mauer Oehling, St. Poelten
and Camp Spratzern.EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 3 September 1953 25X1

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REMARKS _____

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1. Military personnel leaving the trains which arrived at the railroad station of Goepfritz (O 49/R 64) from the direction of Vienna in the morning of 31 July 1953 included one lieutenant colonel wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia; three majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia; two majors with black-bordered red epaulets; three officers with black-bordered black epaulets; and enlisted men wearing red-bordered black epaulets.

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2. Motor vehicles which proceeded from Allensteig (O 49/R 53) on 31 July 1953 in the direction of the training grounds or in the direction of the Gmuend (O 49/R 34) - Goepfritz highway included trucks

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and former German Army command car [REDACTED] all of which were driven by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets.

3. Military personnel either entering or leaving the former Landesheilanstalt (mental asylum) in Mauer Oehling (O 49/W 26) on 29 July 1953 included one lieutenant colonel and two majors, all of whom wore black-bordered red epaulets; three majors, who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia; enlisted men, who wore black-bordered red epaulets, some with artillery insignia; and enlisted men, who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Four SU 76 SP guns and 40 trucks were parked at the installation. Only a few soldiers, who mainly did maintenance work on the parked motor vehicles, were observed in the area of the installation. In the noon hours, about 100 soldiers received their meals, which were prepared in two field kitchens under shed roofs. Motor vehicles communicating in the installation included trucks [REDACTED] which were [REDACTED] 2

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4. On 27 July 1953, six 37-mm AA guns with trucks [redacted] and one jeep with soldiers who had approached from the direction of Spratzern (O 49/W 88), and who wore red-bordered black epaulets, were entrained at the St. Poelten (O 49/W 88) railroad station. At 12:05 p.m., the train, which included three boxcars with the crews of the AA guns, departed on the Westbahn in the direction of Vienna; it was attached to a freight train which came from the west. Twenty-six soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets, who were supervised by an officer, were observed constructing a dugout, immediately southwest of the Eugen Kaserne. [redacted] the number of the motor vehicles parked in the garages of Rainer Kaserne had decreased by about 50 percent. Vehicles passing the roadblock at the Franz Josef Kaserne, which was guarded by a sentry wearing black-bordered black epaulets, included trucks [redacted] which were driven by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. 25X1
5. Motor vehicles observed at Camp Spratzern on 27 July 1953 included trucks [redacted] all of which were driven by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. No weapons, but only 6 trucks, 2 weapon carriers and 4 jeeps were parked in the camp, which was guarded by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. 3 25X1
1. [redacted] Comment. Seven of the motor-vehicle [redacted] from Goepfritz and Allentsteig were identified as belonging to the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, one [redacted] was identified as probably belonging to the 13th Gds Mecz Div 25X1
2. [redacted]
3. [redacted] Comment. The AAA troop train which proceeded toward Vienna may have carried a battery of the 997th (?) AAA Bn of the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, which is believed to be stationed at St. Poelten/Camp Spratzern. The destination of the train possibly was the AAA range at Apetlon. [redacted]

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